Installation of computerised meters at petrol pumps

†123. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made installation of computerised meters at all the petrol pumps of the country mandatory;

(b) if so, the number of such diesel petrol pumps in Muzaffarpur District of Bihar where computerised meters for measuring oil have not been installed;

(c) if so, what action have been taken against such diesel petrol pumps which have not installed meters for measuring oil; and

(d) if not, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Revision in prices of kerosene and LPG

124. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA:
SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to hike the prices of Kerosene and LPG;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the existing subsidy rates of kerosene and LPG;

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(d) whether Government propose to introduce any changes in the subsidy rates;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether Government have taken decision to dismantle the Administered Pricing Mechanism on Petroleum products and whether formed any modalities on the complex system of oil pool accounts; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a), (b), (d) and (e) No such decision has been taken as yet.

(c) Based on the refinery gate prices (April 2001 to February 2002), the subsidy for the current financial year, at the basic ex-storage point level is estimated to be Rs. 3.89 per liter and Rs. 92.92 per cylinder on PDS kerosene and domestic LPG, respectively.

(f) and (g) The Government resolution of 21st November 1997 envisages dismantling of administered pricing mechanism in the petroleum sector as also the oil pool account effective 1.4.2002.

Investments made by Oil PSU's in Non Oil Sector

†125. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that public sector oil and gas companies especially responsible for supply of petroleum and gas have also invested capital in the industries other than oil and gas industry;

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